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Something needs to be done about how Microsoft treats competing software companies. If Microsoft sees something that it thinks would add benefit then it adds it to it's operating system rather than selling it as an add on. With every new release Microsoft add features from companies that they have no business adding to the Operating system. The Operating system should be a base to be added to, let them define the base then stick with it so other companies that come up with a good idea do not get run out of business because Microsoft decided to add it to the operating system. Even breaking the company up will not solve these problems, they need to have a clear guideline as to what the 'Operating System' is and what it can have. That would be the only way to prevent them from doing this kind of behavior.

Thanks

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